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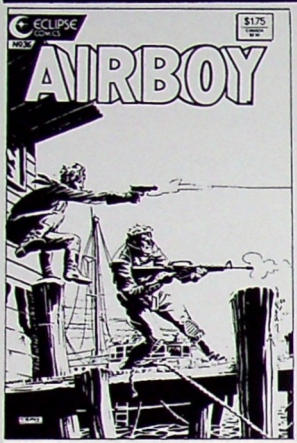

A indicates an ***Airboy*** crossover title
S indicates a **Scout** crossover title
4W indicates a **4Winds** production

Shipping February 2, 1988

Kamui #18 *Special Extra Length Issue!* **$1.95/$2.75 Canada**
Story & Art: Sanpei Shirato **Deluxe B & W Format**
In this 48 page two-part story, Utsuse finally meets up with Kamui, and the ninja battle you've been waiting nine months for erupts along a perilous cliffside! Kamui's life hangs in the outcome in this monumental moment of his life — but is he up to the challenge? Exciting ninja action from Japan!

Xenon #5 **$1.50/$2.25 Canada**
Story & Art: Masaomi Kanzaki **Deluxe B & W Format**
Sonoko's grandfather fights to save Asuka's life as the cyborg lies still on the operating table. With Xenon out of action, is grandfather's shock gun enough protection for Sonoko and Risa? When Sonoko and Risa go to school, Number 204 can't be far behind!

Airboy #36 **$1.75/$2.50 Canada**
Story: Chuck Dixon **Deluxe Format**
Art: Stan Woch & Willie Blyberg
Airboy, Skywolf, Valkyrie and La Lupina are linked together in a "Chain of Fools" as they become even more immersed in the chaotic political upheaval in Bogantilla. Prisoners of evil men who plan to ravage that Latin American land, the Airfighters must face their darkest hour! In the back-up slot, it's 1954 and wedding bells will ring for Skywolf and Riot O'Hara, but first Sky attends a rollicking "Bachelor Party" with Bald Eagle, the Flying Fool, Vic Torry, and the Iron Ace!

New America #4 (of 4) *S 4W* **$1.75/$2.50 Canada**
Story:John Ostrander & Kim Yale **Deluxe Format**
Art: Gary Kwapisz and Aubrey Bradford
Rebel General Rosa Winter dies at the hands of a traitor— and then **lives again!** But at what terrible price? All-out action and political intrigue from John Ostrander, Kim Yale and Gary Kwapisz in the concluding issue of this *Scout* mini-series—setting the stage for next month's *Scout: War Shaman* epic by Timothy Truman! Cover by Tom Yeates. A 4Winds Show.

Weird Romance #1 **$2.00/$2.95 Canada**
New Title! **Deluxe B & W Format**
How better to celebrate St. Valentine's Day than with these charming tales of women spiders who eat their mates, female vampires with an eye toward marriage and seductive mermaids on the prowl? Fantastic art by Bill Everett and Lou Cameron from the golden age of strange stories! It's all in *Weird Romance*, the gift of love for the one you love.

The Dreamery #8 **$2.00/$2.95 Canada**
Deluxe B & W Format
A special Valentine's Day issue begins with the young centaur Stinz Lowhard's trials and tribulations of courtship in "A Breathing Spill" by Donna Barr. Also, Prince Ivan, a young Russian in love, begins his own series this issue, by Diane Duane and Sherry Watson. And finally, artist Cathy Hill recounts a tale of how the raccoon got its mask and stripes.

Samurai, Son of Death *2nd Printing!* **$3.95/$5.75 Canada**
Story: Sharman DiVono **B & W 48 pages,**
Art: Hiroshi Hirata **squarebound**
Sold out in less than two weeks, *Samurai, Son of Death* is back in print for all those who missed out the first time! This incredible collaboration between an American writer and Japanese artist combines the history of one of feudal Japan's greatest battles with a new legend of a dead samurai warrior miraculously restored to life. A must for everyone interested in manga or Japanese culture!

Shipping February 9, 1988

Area 88 #18 **$1.50/$2.25 Canada**
Story & Art: Kaoru Shintani **Deluxe B & W Format**
It's the New Year and Ryoko hosts a huge party for Yamato Airlines. There she spots, in a magazine, a photograph of Shin. Persistence leads her to discover Shin's possible whereabouts, but can a simple airline flight reunite "Love Beyond Reach"?

Mai the Psychic Girl #18 **$1.50/$2.25 Canada**
Story: Kazuya Kudo **Deluxe B & W Format**
Art: Ryoichi Ikegami
The mad pursuit continues—Turm after Mai, Tsukiro after Turm! Refusing to use her psychic powers, Mai has no choice but to escape onto the streets, and in doing so, she runs right into the arms of...her father? Shuichi is alive, but Mai will soon discover there is something seriously wrong with him. 40 pages of Japanese adventure every two weeks for one low price!

Strike! #6 *4W* **$1.75/$2.50 Canada**
Story: Chuck Dixon **Deluxe Format**
Art: Tom Lyle & Romeo Tanghal
Dennis is captured by strange alien beings and taken to the living starship in high orbit over the earth. Here he learns "The Legacy of the Lost." Discover the secret behind the power-harness as an exciting new chapter unfolds in the life of Strike. This one has a shock ending that will leave you breathless. Plus, a Golden Age tale of the Rattler! A 4Winds Production.

Lost Planet #5 **$2.00/$2.95 Canada**
Story & Art: Bo Hampton **Deluxe Format**
Romney in the clutches of Count Zorrin! Amelia Earhart meets

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Ambrose Bierce! And Max takes an unexpected journey as Tom Flynn's adventures on the Lost Planet continue. Then in the "Devil's Eye" back-up, learn more about this strange and dangerous land called the Lost Planet—by Bunny Hampton-Mack and Gary Lavine. Look at the art, and find out why *Lost Planet* is one of the most critically acclaimed series of the year!

California Girls #7 **$2.00/$2.95 Canada**
Story & Art: Trina Robbins **Deluxe Format**
with Color Paper Doll Insert
Dolphins are delightful, discovers Mo, and sunburn isn't, surmises Max, as the California Girls continue their Hawaiian adventure. Meanwhile, back home in California, Lavern throws a party. With reader designed clothing and paper dolls, *California Girls* is fun under the sun for everyone!

Tales of the Beanworld #9 **$2.00/$2.95 Canada**
Story & Art: Larry Marder **Deluxe B & W Format**
"A Gift! A Gift Comes!" What will it be? Everyone has an opinion but no one knows anything for sure. Beanish's secret friend has given him the inside information but he's sworn to keep it a secret. Can he do it? Plus, more inside info on Professor Garbonzo's fix-it-shop! The only comic book in the world about the nitrogen cycle, Federal Express, art, canned corn, American Indian Mythology AND the origin of tools!

Shipping February 16, 1988

Kamul #19 **$1.50/$2.25 Canada**
Story & Art: Sanpei Shirato **Deluxe B & W Format**
When a young boy begins to act out the first positions of a peculiar sword technique, everyone thinks he is crazy with the heat, except for one lone samurai messenger named Tamura. Then, an ambush in the woods puts Tamura face to face with a samurai displaying the *same* technique! But can Tamura fight his way clear to reunite father and son, or will he fall to this assassins deadly blade?

Xenon #6 **$1.50/$2.25 Canada**
Story & Art: Masaomi Kanzaki **Deluxe B & W Format**
The final battle between Xenon and Number 204! Find out Number 204's tragic past in this explosive drama! Kanzaki's intense linework and forceful pacing are making *Xenon* an overnight sensation!

Hand of Fate #1 ***New Series!*** **$1.75/$2.50 Canada**
Story: Bruce Jones **Deluxe Format**
Art: Gerald Forton
Held back until spring, this new monthly Bruce Jones series is sure to be a hit with horror and suspense fans! Mysterious fatal accidents at a lighthouse bring Artemus Fate, psychic detective, to investigate. Bearing the manner and appearance of all the great private eyes of the 1940s, Artemus' psychic abilities actually belong to his girlfriend, Alexis Smith. Can the two of them, together, solve the mystery of the Macoco curse? Art by renowned French illustrator Gerald Forton should appeal to sophisticated readers.

Revenge of the Prowler #1 ***New Series!*** **$1.75/$2.50 Canada**
Story: Timothy Truman ***4W*** **Deluxe Format**
Art: John K. Snyder III
He's back and gunnin' for more! In this all-new series, young Scott Kida has seen the dark side of being a costumed vigilante. He has seen Leo Kragg—the Prowler—kill. Will the horror of it send our troubled art student over the edge? Beginning a new Prowler series by Timothy Truman and John K. Snyder III. And in the back-up slot, we begin a new 1940s Prowler tale by writer Michael H. Price and illustrator Graham Nolan, adapting the horror film classic "The Vampire Bat." A 4Winds Production.

Target: Airboy #1 ***New Title!*** **$1.95/$2.75 Canada**
Story: Don Chin and Chuck Dixon **Deluxe Format**
Art: Sam Kieth and Sam De La Rosa
He's after Airboy and he's got a gun! In the wildest crossover of the year, the notorious Rats from *Airboy* #19-20 have contracted Clint (Adolescent Radioactive Black Belt Hamster) to assassinate Airboy! It's a wild, full-color battle royale featuring The Heap, Marlene, Iron Ace and the all-new Bruce! Incredible art by Sam Kieth and Sam De La Rosa, with a lively script by regular *Airboy* scripter Chuck Dixon and *Hamsters* creator Don Chin. Don't miss out!

Millennium Index #1 (of 2) **$2.00/$2.95 Canada**
New Series! **Deluxe Format**
One of 1987's best selling and most-publicized series is here indexed, along with all crossover issues! Shipping on the same weekly schedule as *Millennium* itself, and sporting a cover by series artist Joe Staton, the *Millennium Index* is a must for everyone who bought and enjoyed *Millennium*! Brought to you by the same people who brought you the *Crisis on Infinite Earths Index*! This one is *hot!*

Eclipse Extra #41 **$5.00/bundles of 100**
It's May and our 10th anniversary super-series, *Total Eclipse*, is on the move. Find out about all our titles shipping this month.

Shipping February 23, 1988

Area 88 #19 **$1.50/$2.25 Canada**
Story & Art: Kaoru Shintani **Deluxe B & W Format**
Ryoko continues her search for Shin, flying to Tel Aviv aboard an airliner Kanzaki is flying. On the way, she picks up a new ward, Josephine, whose parents were killed in an accident. All goes smoothly...until Shin hears Kanzaki's voice over the radio, and vows to kill the man who betrayed him!

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Mal the Psychic Girl #19 — **$1.50/$2.25 Canada**
Story: Kazuya Kudo — **Deluxe B & W Format**
Art: Ryoichi Ikegami
Kaieda plots to eliminate the evil psychic girl, Turm, as he continues his search for the missing Mai. With so many people hell-bent on killing, someone is sure to stand in the way of "The Bent Trajectory."

Crossfire #26 — **$2.00/$2.95 Canada**
Story: Mark Evanier — **Deluxe B & W Format**
Art: Dan Spiegle
After four years, *Crossfire* comes to a close in this very special last issue, which also concludes the piece of wood or the dinosaur story. Crossfire discovers "It's a Jungle Out There" as he journeys to deepest darkest Africa to find out whether its a real, live dinosaur or just a piece of wood in a photo that's been keeping everyone back in civilization wondering for months. By the same people that bring you every issue. Plus, an extra-long text piece about the sleaziest person in show business, illustrated by renowned *Mad Magazine* and *Groo* artist Sergio Aragones.

Millennium Index #2 (of 2) — **$2.00/$2.95 Canada**
Deluxe Format
Continued indexing of one of the biggest-selling series of 1987! Don't miss out as the second half of the *Millennium* series and all of its crossovers are here examined under one cover! Cover by *Millennium* artist Joe Staton!

Red Dog #1 *New Title!* — **$2.00/$2.95 Canada**
Story & Art: P. Craig Russell — **Deluxe Format**
The Jungle Book comes alive as the award-winning P. Craig Russell adapts the seventh of eight Mowgli stories by Rudyard Kipling. The jungle is being invaded by a band of wild dogs that destroy everything in their path, with only Mowgli and the wolf pack to stand against them. A full 31 pages, this tale of invasion is not all fun and glory as death of loved ones must be faced even by the victors. Kipling's work is known the world over and this *Jungle Book* adaptation will appeal to readers of all ages and tastes.

Scout: The Four Monsters *S 4W* — **$35.00**
Story: Timothy Truman — **Signed & Numbered Hardcover**
Art: Timothy Truman and Tom Yeates — **Graphic Album**
This collection of *Scout* #1-7, the first adventure in Timothy Truman's saga is now available in a special hardcover format, signed and numbered by the author/illustrator Timothy Truman! Believing himself to be the legendary "Child of Water," apache Emanuel Santana, Scout, sets out with his "spirit guide," a talking chipmunk called The Gahn, to hunt and kill the Four Monsters he sees hiding in human society—including the Secretary of Agriculture and the President of the United States. Setting the groundwork for the entire *Scout* series, plus the *Scout: War Shaman* series beginning next month, *Scout: The Four Monsters* is a grim, deadly look at tomorrow as it may yet come to pass. This collector's edition is a must for every Tim Truman fan!

Eclipse Comics 10th Anniversary Message:

As we move into our tenth year of publishing, we look back at our success with something approaching amazement. This venture was begun with nothing more than a love of comics, a firm belief that work-made-for-hire contracts were unethical, and two thousand dollars in cash. In 1978 we had no idea that we would achieve any sort of lasting place in the market, or that our contract policies and printing values would eventually become standards in the industry. Actually, in those days, we didn't even know there was an 'industry.' All we knew was that good writers and artists were working for substandard compensation and seeing their work printed on lousy, grey paper. By pioneering the graphic album, Baxter paper, and laser-scanned color formats in America, we not only created a new career for me (I had been an accountant and aspiring filmmaker), but gave a berth to literally hundreds of creators seeking a better deal and a fitting showcase for their works. We hope we've given you a lot of good reading too, and we hope to bring you much more of the same in years to come.

Thank you for buying our books.

—Dean Mullaney

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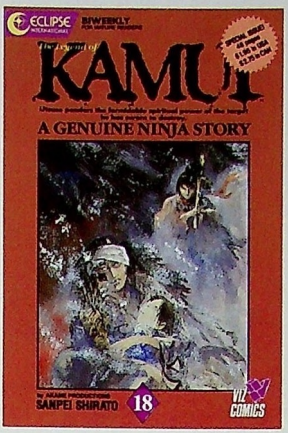

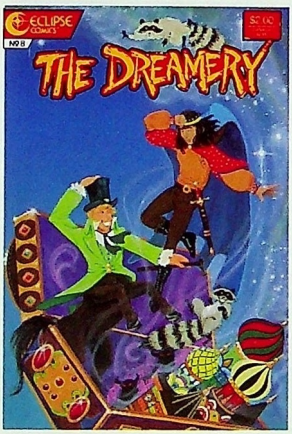

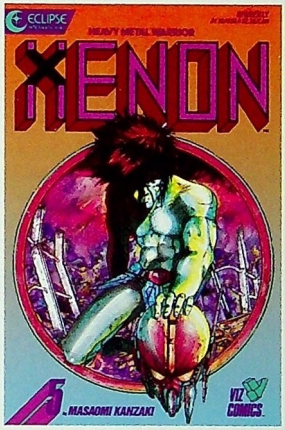

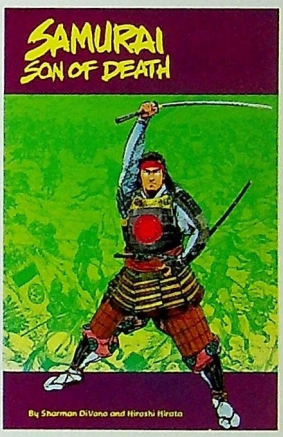

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